IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE R.BASANT

MONDAY, THE 17TH SEPTEMBER 2007 / 26TH BHADRA 1929

Bail Appl..No. 5539 of 2007()

CRMP.7411A/2007 of J.M.F.C.-III, PUNALUR
CRIME NO.420/2007 OF PUNALUR POLICE STATION

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PETITIONER/ACCUSED NO.1

MANU, AGED 22 YEARS,
S/O.VIJAYAN, KALLUMMALA PUTHEN VEEDU,
NEAR KALLUMALA, PAPER MILL WARD,
PUNALUR VILLAGE.

BY ADV. SRI.S.RAJEEV

RESPONDENT:

STATE OF KERALA,
REPRESENTED BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT OF KERALA,
ERNAKULAM (CRIME NO.420 OF 2007 OF PUNALUR
POLICE STATION).

BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR SRI.JAI GEORGE

THIS BAIL APPLICATION HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 17/09/2007 ALONG WITH BA NOS.5544 & 5548 OF 2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY PASSED THE FOLLOWING:

R.BASANT, J.

B.A.Nos.5539,5544 & 5548 of 2007

Dated this the 17th day of September 2007

O R D E R

These applications are for regular bail. The petitioners are accused 1 to 3. They face allegations under Section 394 I.P.C. The alleged incident took place on 25/7/2007. The accused persons - four in all, allegedly assaulted and snatched away an amount of Rs.1,400/- from the de facto complainant, a van salesman. Accused 2 and 3 were arrested on the date of occurrence itself, later. They continue in custody from that date. The first accused was arrested later on 7/8/2007. Earlier applications for regular bail filed by accused 2 and 3 were dismissed by this court as per order dated 24/8/2007.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioners prays, the learned Public Prosecutor does not oppose the said prayer on condition that the investigating officer is granted sixty days time from the date of the arrest to complete the investigation and I am satisfied that regular bail can be granted to the petitioners subject to appropriate conditions.

3. In the result, this petition is allowed. The petitioners shall be released on bail on the following terms and conditions:

i) The petitioners shall not be released on bail on the strength of this order prior to 25/09/2007 (Accused 2 and 3) and 7/10/2007 (Accused 1). The investigating officer shall, in the meantime, make every endeavour to complete the investigation.

ii) They shall execute bonds for Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees one lakh only) each with two solvent sureties each for the like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate.

iii) The petitioners shall make themselves available for interrogation before the investigating officer between 10 a.m and 12 noon on all Mondays and Fridays, for a period of three months from the date of their respective release and thereafter as and when directed by the investigating officer in writing to do so.

(R.BASANT, JUDGE)

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ORDER

21ST DAY OF MAY2007